

The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 25, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Jesse J. Nehez at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

ROLL CALL was read by Lisa M. Rodriguez, Clerk of Council. The following were present: Mayor Nehez, Beatrice Greenlee, Linda Bowen, Nicholas Magistrelli, Gary Vojtush, Alan E. Hipps and Ethan Miladinovic. In addition, Law Director, Brad Bryan, Service and Building & Zoning Superintendent Jason Walters and Finance Director Timothy Clymer were in attendance. Fire Chief Jason Buss Village Engineer Richard Wasosky and Police Chief Mark Wentz were not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Nehez asked for approval of the minutes for the Council meeting of February 11, 2015. A motion for passage was made by Linda Bowen and seconded by Alan Hipps, passed with 6 ayes.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES:

Resident of Victory, Phil Kneziak thanked Jason Walters, the employees in all of his departments for the great job keeping the streets clean with snow. Phil said at the last council meeting he mentioned about the snow around the fire hydrants and he saw the service guys out digging them out and wanted to say thanks. his way he doesn't have to clean them.

Resident of Cranbrook, Joe Buzalewski commended Jason and the road crews for taking care of the streets during this bad winter. They are doing a great job. Joe stated that they are also doing a great job on the senior snow plowing of the driveways as well. Mayor Nehez stated that he gets nothing but compliments on the Service Department.

Phil Kneziak asked how the salt level was. Jason said that we have salt for now. Joe asked how the trucks were holding up. Jason said trucks and equipment are good. Jason said salt is scarce right now, and they are plowing more than they are salting. Jason said that he has one full bin, and they are salting what they need to like the hills where they concentrate and go from there.

Joe Buzalewski asked if the Village Service Department took care of Route 8. The State of Ohio takes care of it, which is ODOT. Joe said they will get on ODOT's case then.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

A. MAYOR JESSE J. NEHEZ had no report.

B. FINANCE DIRECTOR TIM CLYMER stated that the reconciliation process has been an all hands on deck approach with himself, Jay Mutter and Diane Gacom, and they hope to have it wrapped up by this Friday. They will have a report prepared for the State, and it will be postmarked by the Saturday deadline.

Tim said there is also a pay resolution. The couple bigger amounts are: Warren Fire Equipment for \$19,000 – equipment associated with the grant project; Cargill salt for \$14,000; Nordonias Schools annual payment of

about \$23,500 for the HyKo property, and they will give us a check Friday for about \$49,000 which is part of the agreement; Euthenics for about \$15,000 and \$13,000 is for the road project plans Rich is working on; \$20,000 health insurance and utilities also.

Mayor Nehez asked Tim to give Council an idea of when they will see the budget from him. Tim said that the first priority is the reconciliation so they would have good numbers for last year before they consider a budget for this year. Mayor said he would like Tim to get it to Council by the first or second week of March. Brad Bryan said that he would like to put it on the agenda for the first meeting in March. Mayor Nehez said he would like to meet prior to that first meeting in March also. Tim said at the latest next Friday for the budget.

C. ENGINEER RICHARD WASOSKY was not present.

D. LAW DIRECTOR BRADRIC BRYAN had no report.

E. DEPARTMENT HEADS:

1. Police Department, Chief Mark Wentz was not present. Mayor said that he did attend the Police Department meeting, and he enjoyed it. There are a lot of good things going on in the Police Department.

2. Fire Department, Fire Chief Jason Buss read his report. (See attached) The Mayor stated that the Recreation Board wanted to meet with Chief Wentz and Chief Buss about having a police and fire vehicle at the easter party, but they don't have a definite date yet.

3. Service/Building Supervisor, Jason Walters, Jason told everyone that we are set for the May cleanup and home improvement month. Jason had a meeting with Sarah from Rumpke about the guidelines and what they are going to expect for the billing of the senior trash. Jason said he spoke with Chief Buss and felt it was better for the younger Service employees instead of the firemen digging out the hydrants. Jason said in most towns if the hydrant is in your yard then you keep it clean, but it is good work for the younger service employees. Jason said the State is getting the salt first, and then from there, it will go week by week. Jason appreciates everyone acknowledging the guys' hard work, and everything is going well.

Nick Magistrelli asked Jason if the salt came from the stockpile in Akron. Jason said no. We receive it directly from the mine.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

A. PLANNING COMMISSION, ALAN E. HIPPS, had no report.

B. RECREATION BOARD, MAYOR NEHEZ, Mr. Chicken marketing representatives want to work with the Village and the Recreation Board on donations and parties. More to come in the future.

C. CEMETARY BOARD, BEATRICE GREENLEE, had no report but said they are installing a new time clock.

Jason stated he did approve a new sign for at the Northfield Village Retirement Community, and it is very nice. Mayor Nehez and Council President Beatrice Greenlee both asked if Jason had heard anything about the retirement home and the clock. Jason said no.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: LINDA BOWEN had Brad Bryan read 2015-07, Resolution for payment of bills for month ending February 2015. A motion was made by Linda Bowen and seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, passed with 6 ayes.

ROADS/PUBLIC WORKS: ETHAN MILADINOVIC no report. Ethan stated that he met with an audio contractor, Soundcom about amping up the Council chambers. He will be meeting with two other contractors tomorrow am and then he will put a proposal together to go over with Council. Ethan said they will have microphones for Council, on the table, the podium and then speakers in the back for the audience to hear. Mr. Buzalewski said it would be nice to hear better for the older people in the audience.

Mayor Nehez asked if the microphones had buttons to push. Ethan said no, they will turn on within micro-seconds of speaking, and this way we are not waisting storage on empty air space on the hard drive.

Jason also stated that the reader board in front of Village Hall is frozen, so it can't be changed. Mayor Nehez said that he would like to get a digital reader board sign put into the budget. Jason said he has pricing from last year. Mayor Nehez asked if Lisa Rodriguez could access it from her desk. Jason said yes. Mayor Nehez and Alan Hipps wanted to make sure that no one could outside could access it. Jason stated that it would be full color, keep the existing brick pillars and it would fit right into it.

Mayor Nehez thanked Ethan for his work on getting the information.

HEALTH AND WELFARE: GARY VOJTUSH had no report.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: ALAN HIPPS said that he would like to set up a meeting to discuss the digital sign and the audio equipment. Bea Greenlee said that on the 4th of March Council could have Building and Grounds at 7:30p.

WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS: NICHOLAS MAGISTRELLI had no report. Mayor Nehez told Nick to think of a date that he would like to have a committee meeting to discuss hiring a floater for vacations at the Village Hall. Bea Greenlee said that they could have the meeting on March 18th at 7p. right after the block watch meeting.

FIRE AND SAFETY: BEATRICE GREENLEE said that March 3rd at 6pm Council will have a committee meeting with Chief Buss and have a couple items to discuss.

LEGISLATION:

Brad read Resolution 2015-05, 1st reading, emergency Resolution authorizing the Mayor to extend the senior center lease agreement between the Village, Northfield Center Township, Sagamore Hills Township, and Epiphany Lutheran Church. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Beatrice Greenlee and seconded by Gary Vojtush, carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Beatrice Greenlee and seconded by Gary Vojtush and passed with 6 ayes.

Brad read Resolution 2015-06, 1st reading, emergency Ordinance amending Chapter 1446 of the Codified Ordinances relating to rental certificates for rented single family dwellings. Council President Beatrice Greenlee said that it was Council's wish to put this Resolution on second reading at the March 11th council meeting.

Mayor Nehez thanked Council for passing the senior center legislation. The Mayor said that it is another wonderful thing that the Village does for the senior citizens. He feels that this administration and Council have done a lot for the seniors; senior center, senior snow plowing and senior trash.

OLD BUSINESS; Gary Vojtush asked if any talks were entered into with Hard Rock for the yearly funding about the \$500,000. Brad stated that they have not. He said that process it is between the Racinos and the State, and that has not happened. We followed up a few months ago with the State Representatives, and it seems like there is not a lot going on as far as that. Brad said that in the past they have discussed it with the owner of the racetrack and his view is that if he'll be required by the State to pay the Village that amount of money then he will pay it, but as long as he is not, then he would rather keep the money.

Gary said he has heard rumors that Sherwin Williams is leaving the Village. Beatrice Greenlee stated that it is not a rumor, they are moving to the new plaza in Macedonia.

NEW BUSINESS; Linda Bowen said that Wednesday, March 18th they will be having a Block Watch meeting at 6pm at Village Hall, with light refreshments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS;

ADJOURNMENT -

A motion for adjournment at 8:09p.m. was made by Beatrice Greenlee and seconded by Linda Bowen passed with 6 ayes.

Respectfully submitted by:



Beatrice Greenlee
President of Council

Attest:



Lisa M. Rodriguez
Clerk of Council

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Activity Report

- A detailed copy of fire department activity is available upon request.
- As of *February 25, 2015*, NVFD responded to a total of **123** incidents. We responded to a total of 664 incidents in 2014. **99** of those incidents were EMS related and **24** incidents were FIRE related.
- NVFD has provided mutual aid for **9** incidents, provided automatic aid **4** times, and received ~~mutual aid for 1 incident and~~ automatic aid for **1** Incidents. (*Total MA received in 2013 was 13, 2014 was 15*)
- NVFD's average response time from time of call till time on scene is **3:53**
 - o As mutual and automatic aid has increased, our overall response time has been increased on average.

Fire Inspector / Prevention Report

- 7 Annual Fire Inspections have been completed
- 6 Hood/Duct/Alarm/Sprinkler Tests have been completed
- 7 Standby Events at Hard Rock Rocksino
- An inspection of all commercial buildings exterior fire service features will start in March (Fire Lanes, Knox Boxes, Hydrants, Addresses, etc)

Department News

- **Blood Borne Pathogen & Exposure Training** – Have completed a BBP and exposure training that I will be rolling out to all the firefighters, police officers and service workers.
- **Fire & Safety Meeting** – Will meet on March 3rd at 6PM at City Hall. Plan on discussing staffing changes at the fire station and the 2015 budget in general. I will gladly meet one on one with anyone unable to attend to discuss proposed changes
- **Hard Rock Rocksino & NVRC Stats** – NVFD responded to 15 medical / 0 fire incidents at the Hard Rock and 12 medical / 2 fire incidents at NVRC Since January 1, 2015.
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"Our Family Protecting Yours"



Village of Northfield Month of May 2015 Cleanup & Document Shredding Event

3 Dumpster locations for your convenience:

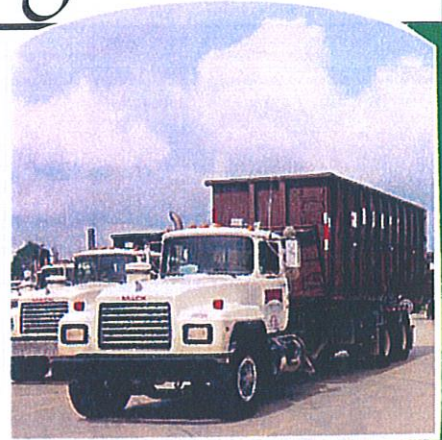
Dept. of Public Service 199 Ledge Rd.

Dept. of Public Service 68 Houghton Rd.

End of Chestnut at old sewer plant

* Any questions or assistance needed, please call
us at 330 468 4363

* All dumpsters will be emptied weekly



Attention Residents:

During this month of May Residential home improvement permit fees will be waived and are valid 60 days from issuance only.

Village of Northfield Shredding Day for Residents Only

(Bring your ID it will be checked day of shred)

1-Day, SATURDAY MAY 23rd From 9A-12noon (or until truck is filled)

Service Center at 68 Houghton Rd

-Enter drive-thru line on Houghton and
exit our lot onto Beech.

- Bring your boxes and/or bags,

-Staple ok, no paperclips or binders

* We will unload and you can watch them being
shred right inside the Info Store Records truck

* Any questions please call the service dept. secretary

Lisa Rodriguez at 330 468 4363

